Finance Commission also take particular note of specific requirements of each State during their visits. Such requirements are met through recommendations of grants for special problems and upgradation and thus provide an opportunity to backward States to put forth their claims.

Schemes of Himachal Pradesh

†562. SHRI KRIPAL PARMAR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of various schemes of Himachal Pradesh which are pending with Government for approval;

(b) the action taken thereon by Government so far; and

(c) by when a decision is likely to be taken on these schemes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) and (b) Various schemes, relating to Agriculture, Industries, Roads and Bridges, Tourism and Civil Aviation, Food and Supplies, Education, Youth Services and Sports, Mountaineering and Allied Sports, Police Department, Environment Project and Pollution Control Board are under process/consideration with various Ministries/Departments of the Government of India. Necessary action is being taken on them by these Ministries/Departments.

(c) As a number of Departments/Ministries are involved, it is not possible to indicate a precise time-schedule.

Economic projections of Tenth Plan

†563. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the basis for economic projections of the Tenth Five Year Plan are not in line with the annual budget estimates of the year 2001-02;

(b) if so, the basis fixed for the economic projections of the Tenth Five Year Plan; and

(c) the reasons for not taking the budget estimates as its basis?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.